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New U.S. Patent Application
Title: **UNIT FOR FEEDING CAPSULES ONTO A CAPSULE FILLING MACHINE**
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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 16 pages, including 1 independent claim and 10 claims total.
2. Drawings - 4 sheets of drawings containing 4 figures.
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
4. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Basic Application Filing Fee					\$770	\$ 770.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims		
Total Claims	15	-	20	0	x \$18	
Independent Claims	1	-	3	0	x \$86	
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TOTAL APPLICATION FILING FEE						\$ 385.00

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5. A check for \$385.00 is enclosed for filing fee.

Applicant claims small entity status. The fees indicated above are reduced by ½.

Applicant claims the right to priority based on Italian Patent Application No. BO2003A 000034, filed on January 24, 2003.

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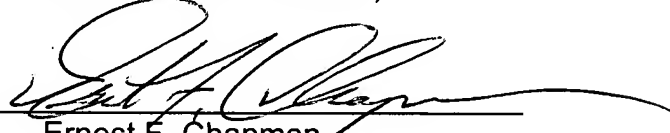
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Please accord this application an application number and filing date.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or §1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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